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Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
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In re application of : Thomas Thoröe SCHERB et al.

Serial No. : 10/073,917

Group Art Unit: 1731

Filed : February 14, 2002

Examiner: K. Hastings

For : MACHINE AND METHOD FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF A FIBER
MATERIAL WEB

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in the above-captioned application.

- ☐ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
☐ A Request for Extension of Time.
☒ No Additional Fee.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

Claims After Amendment	No. Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
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Total Claims: 11	*20	0	x 9=	\$	x 18=	\$0.00
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Multiple Dependent Claims Presented			+140=	\$	+280=	\$0.00
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☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, including any required extension of times fees in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3)

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Responsive to the Final Office Action of January 13, 2003, the instant response being submitted by the two-month date after final rejection, i.e., by March 13, 2003, reconsideration of this action and allowance of all the claims of the present application are respectfully requested and are now believed appropriate in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows (Marked-up copies of the amended claims are attached as an Appendix):

9. (Twice amended) A process for the manufacture of a fiber material web, comprising:

dewatering the fiber material web in a press area composed of at least one press nip